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SUBJECT: 61ST UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY: HIGH-LEVEL ATTENDANCE
AND REQUESTS FOR MEETINGS

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11. (SBU) Format is keyed to reftel.

1A. Attendance of the Head of State

-- Name and title: Joao Bernardo "Nino" Vieira, President of
the Republic of Guinea-Bissau

-- Arrival and departure dates to and from New York and other
U.S. locations, and whether the Head of State will be present
for the General Debate: President Vieira will travel to New
York but does not yet know travel dates.

-- It is unknown at this time if Mrs. Isabel Vieira will
travel with her spouse.

-- Portuguese interpretation will be required.

1B. Attendance of the Head of Government

-- Aristides Gomes, the Prime Minister has no plans as yet to
attend UNGA.

1C. Attendance of the Foreign Minister

-- Antonio Isaac Monteiro, Minister of Foreign Affairs,
International Cooperation and Communities, will travel to New
York prior to President Vieira. The Foreign Minister does
not yet have fixed travel plans, but tentatively will depart
Bissau on September 14 and arrive in New York the following
day.

-- Interpretation would not be required.

1D. Attendance of other VIPs

-- No other VIPs are currently expected at the UNGA.

1E. Attendance of the Foreign Ministry official responsible
for IO affairs

-- No information about other Foreign Ministry attendance is
available at this time.

12. (SBU) The presence of ForMin Monteiro in the United
States would be a good opportunity to sign the tripartite

agreement between the Governments of Guinea-Bissau, Brazil and the United States. An earlier attempt to schedule a signing ceremony in April with the Secretary was not possible because the Bissau-Guinean Embassy in Washington was not staffed. Monteiro has expressed strong interest in signing an agreement.

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